

**North Dakota Council on Abused
Women’s Services/Coalition Against
Sexual Assault in North Dakota**

418 E. Rosser Ave. Suite #320
Bismarck, ND 58501
1-888-255-6240 or 701-255-6240

BELCOURT:
Hearts of Hope/Victims of Crime Program
PO Box 900, Belcourt, ND 58316
Crisis Line: 477-5614;
After hours 477-6134

BISMARCK:
Abused Adult Resource Center
PO Box 5003, Bismarck, ND 58502
222-8370;
Crisis Line: 1-800-341-7009

BOTTINEAU:
Family Crisis Center
PO Box 371, Bottineau, ND 58318
228-2028;
Crisis Line: 1-800-398-1098; 1-888-755-7595

DEVILS LAKE:
SAFE Alternatives for Abused Families
PO Box 646, Devils Lake, ND 58301
662-7378;
Crisis Line: 662-7378; 1-888-662-7378

DICKINSON:
Domestic Violence and Rape Crisis Center
PO Box 1081, Dickinson, ND 58602
Crisis Line: 225-4506; 1-888-225-4506

ELLENDALE:
Kedish House
PO Box 322, Ellendale, ND 58436
349-4729;
Crisis Line: 349-5118; 1-877-349-4729

FARGO:
Rape and Abuse Crisis Center
PO Box 2984, Fargo, ND 58108
Crisis Line: 293-7273; 1-800-344-7273

FORT BERTHOLD:
Coalition Against Domestic Violence
PO Box 935, New Town, ND 58763
627-4171;
Crisis Line: 627-3617

GRAFTON:
Tri-County Crisis Intervention Inc.
PO Box 308, Grafton, ND 58237
352-4242;
Crisis Line: 352-3059

GRAND FORKS:
Community Violence Intervention Center
211 South 4th St., Grand Forks, ND 58201
746-0405;
Crisis Line: 746-8900; 1-888-746-8900

JAMESTOWN:
S.A.F.E. Shelter
PO Box 1934, Jamestown, ND 58402
Crisis Line: 251-2300; 1-888-353-7233

MCLEAN COUNTY:
McLean Family Resource Center
PO Box 506, Washburn, ND 58577
Crisis Line: 462-8643; 1-800-651-8643

MERCER COUNTY:
Women’s Action Resource Center
PO Box 940, Beulah, ND 58523
Crisis Line: 873-2274

MINOT:
Domestic Violence Crisis Center
PO Box 881, Minot, ND 58702
852-2258
Crisis Line: 857-2200; 1-800-398-1098

RANSOM COUNTY:
Abused Resource Network
PO Box 919, Lisbon, ND 58054
Crisis Line: 683-5061; 1-877-683-5061

SPIRIT LAKE:
Spirit Lake Victim Assistance
Box 297, Ft. Totten, ND 58335
766-1816;
Crisis Line: 766-1816; 1-866-723-3032

STANLEY:
Domestic Violence Program, NW ND
PO Box 538, Stanley, ND 58784
Crisis Line: 628-3233; 1-800-273-8232

VALLEY CITY:
Abused Persons Outreach Center
PO Box 508, Valley City, ND 58702
845-0078;
Crisis Line: 845-0072; 1-866-845-0072

WAHPETON:
Three Rivers Crisis Center
315 11th St. N., Wahpeton, ND 58075
Crisis Line: 642-2115; 1-800-627-3659

WILLISTON:
Family Crisis Shelter
PO Box 1893, Williston, ND 58802
572-0757
Crisis Line: 572-9111

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**The Family
Violence Option**

**What You
Need
To Know**

This option is available
to parents who are seeking
Temporary Assistance
for Needy Families
(TANF) benefits.

It provides alternative ways
for individuals to fulfill their
TANF work requirements.

Specialized services for victims of domestic violence who are receiving TANF in North Dakota

The Family Violence Option in North Dakota mandates screening for domestic violence. It provides referrals for specialized services, and may provide temporary exemptions from program requirements to enable victims of domestic violence to have the time, services, and support they need to address domestic violence as a barrier to self-sufficiency.

A **TANF recipient in North Dakota** is considered a victim of domestic violence if she/he has experienced domestic violence as defined in North Dakota Century Code 14-07.1.

Domestic violence includes: physical harm, bodily injury, sexual activity compelled by physical force, assault, or the infliction of fear of any of the above.

RELATIONSHIPS IN WHICH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CAN HAPPEN

Physical, emotional, and sexual abuse can occur between family members, household members, or people in a dating relationship.

Voluntary Information

A TANF recipient may choose to discuss abuse with a TANF eligibility worker at any time, and the Family Violence Option will be explained. This information will remain confidential. The client will be referred to a local domestic violence program where an advocate will discuss available services and options.

Choosing not to discuss domestic violence with a TANF eligibility worker will NOT result in the denial of any of the basic benefits provided by TANF.

Note: Domestic violence advocates are required by law to report any disclosure of child abuse or neglect.

Duties of TANF Recipients:

Parents must participate in activities leading to self-sufficiency. *But if working or looking for work results in danger of physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, an appropriate work alternative plan is possible.*

TANF recipients must assist the Office of Child Support Enforcement to obtain a child support order. *However, if the child was conceived because of rape or incest, or the recipient or the child may be in danger of physical, emotional, or sexual abuse, a TANF recipient may not have to meet this requirement.*

A TANF recipient who is underage 18 (minor) and who is pregnant or raising a child must live with a parent or in an approved living arrangement. *But if the recipient is under 18, she does not have to be in any living arrangement in which she or her child would be in danger of physical or sexual violence.*

Duties of State Agency: NDCC 50-09

The state agency shall:

- Inform all TANF applicants and recipients of the options available under the domestic violence option
- Screen all applicants to determine who are past or present victims of domestic violence or at risk of further domestic violence
- Refer these individuals to a local domestic violence sexual assault organization for safety planning and supportive services
- Determine if “good cause” exists to waive work requirements or time limits on receipt of benefits